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Transportation Needs Identified for Potential West Davis Corridor

Public invited to provide feedback on study's draft Purpose and Need through June 7

OGDEN, Utah – The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) will release the draft Purpose and Need for a potential West Davis Corridor project Friday, May 7, 2010. The Purpose and Need, which explains why a project is necessary and what it should achieve, will serve as the criteria in determining a range of project alternatives.

Recent input from local communities, agencies, and other interested groups, coupled with field research and traffic analysis, has helped UDOT draft the Purpose and Need document. The draft Purpose and Need is the latest step in preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a potential transportation corridor in western Davis and Weber counties.

"We are seeking feedback from the west Davis and Weber communities on the transportation needs we've identified and the purposes of this project," said Randy Jefferies, UDOT Project Manager. "We want to make sure we understand the needs before moving forward to study any project alternatives."

A two-page summary provides the highlights of the 38-page draft Purpose and Need document, both of which are available on the project website, udot.utah.gov/westdavis. The public is invited to review the information and provide any comments by Monday, June 7, 2010. After gathering and evaluating input on the draft Purpose and Need, the study team will work with the public through an open process to consider all possible transportation options, including various modes of transportation, that meet the Purpose and Need of the project.

In addition to the summary and full content of the draft Purpose and Need online (udot.utah.gov/westdavis), the public can also call 877-298-1991 to obtain copies. Comments on the draft Purpose and Need are being accepted through June 7, 2010 by calling 877-298-1991, e-mailing westdavis@utah.gov, or using the online comment form at udot.utah.gov/westdavis.

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Meetings on future transportation options in west Davis, Weber Counties to be held Feb 23-25

OGDEN, Utah – The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) will hold meetings at three locations to get public input regarding transportation solutions for the West Davis Corridor, February 23-25.

The West Davis Corridor Environmental Study will examine environmental, cultural/societal, economic and other potential impacts of various transportation alternatives, and recommend either a preferred transportation solution or a "no-build" option through an Environment Impact Statement (EIS). A wide variety of transportation solutions will be considered. The public is invited to participate, beginning with three scoping meetings to be held February 23-25, at two locations in Davis, and one in Weber Counties.

These public meetings will be held **Tuesday February 23**, Syracuse High School, 665 South 2000 West, Syracuse; **Wednesday, February 24**, Legacy Event Center (Davis County Fairgrounds), 151 South 1100 West, Farmington; and **Thursday, February 25**, West Weber Elementary School, 4178 West 900 South, Ogden. Each of these meetings will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., and will be conducted in an open house format.

The West Davis Corridor Environmental Study is being conducted to determine what the best transportation solution is for this region, and builds on previously completed studies in Davis and Weber Counties. It is expected to take three-to-five years and will result in an EIS. The EIS will be published and made available for public review at the study conclusion, and will announce the preferred transportation solution, if any, developed as a part of the study.

UDOT encourages public participation and comment during this study. Stakeholders with further questions can address them via email to westdavis@utah.gov, or contact the study team at 877-298-1991.